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SUBJECT: COM CONFERENCES ADDIS ABABA AND MONROVIA
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PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR SEELYE FROM NEWSOM

1. IF YOUR HEALTH PERMITS, I SHOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE
IT IF YOU WOULD AT YOUR RESPECTIVE CONFERENCE UNDERTAKE
THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIRING PANEL FIVE ON QUOTE: EFFECT
ON OUR POSITION IN AFRICA OF SOVIET AND PRC ACTIVITIES
ENDQUOTE

2. WHILE YOUR PRESENT POST, I THINK, PLACES YOU IN A
PARTICULARLY PERTINENT POSITION TO OBSERVE THIS IMPORTANT
ISSUE FOR US POLICY, I HOPE YOU WILL ALSO FEEL FREE TO DRAW
ON YOUR THOUGHTS AND EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE IN ORDER TO PUT
THIS TOPIC IN WIDEST PERSPECTIVE AND STIMULATE LIVELY
DISCUSSION.

3. I ENVISAGE DEVOTING APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TO THIS
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ISSUE, BEGINNING WITH A 10-12 MINUTE LEAD PRESENTATION BY

YOU, FOLLOWED BY 5 MINUTE COMMENTS BY OTHER PANEL MEMBERS,
BEFORE OPENING THE FLOOR TO GENERAL DISCUSSION.

4. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK MR. EAGLETON AND MR. KUNIHOLM
(OR NEW AMBASSADOR WHEN DESIGNATED) TO ASSIST YOU IN
CONDUCTING THIS PANEL. MR. MCFARLAND IS INVITED TO SERVE
AS RAPPORTEUR AS WELL AS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION.

5. I SUGGEST THAT THE CHAIRMAN IN EACH INSTANCE COMMUNI-
CATE DIRECTLY WITH THE OTHER DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF HIS
PANEL REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS DISCUSSION. IF
ANY OF US IN AF CAN HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO LET US KNOW.

FOR ALGIERS: IN ADDITION TO PARTICIPATING AS MEMBER
PANEL V, WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF EAGLETON WOULD HELP OUT BY
SERVING AS RAPPORTEUR PANEL I. RUSH

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